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Hi David,

I need to get moving, (together with Harold and Vitek and Elizabeth Marincola (who volunteered to help)), to start raising funds for the digitization (and perhaps for the cost of developing DTD convertors if that should prove to be necessary to meet the journals half-way). I don't think it will be possible to insist that the journals who want to give the material to PMC must also bear the burden of converting their articles to a DTD that PMC can handle. So we need to factor this into the cost that the fabled "public library" consortium will have to subsidize.

How many DTD's are currently in use by the biomedical journals? Do you have any feeling for the time and cost involved in developing all the necessary converters, should that be necessary?

Pat